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SUBJECT: International Emigration Organization.

1. Source reports the existence of a movement in Italy designed to create and/or to become a part of an international organization which will arrange for emigration of Europeans to South America.

2. A mission composed of four individuals (see below) is scheduled to leave Genova on 9 June for Rome and thence to Brazil in order to explore strategic areas and determine the possibilities of consummating the emigratus plan to South America.

3. Count Anselmo FORONI LO FARO (ex-informer for Colonel CANNONE - propagandist and church enthusiast in Genova) recently visited Rome where he contacted Holy See personalities with reference to the creation of this international emigration organization.

4. Upon his return to Genova, he conferred with Don Aurelio TORRAZZA, Secretary to Msgr. Giuseppe SIRI, Archbishop of Genova.

5. The exact nature of the conference has not been ascertained. However, shortly thereafter it was learned that Don TORRAZZA would head a mission to South America, to be identified ostensibly as a Pontifical Mission which would have as its scope the following:

a. To explore adaptable areas in South America for the creation of small communities or colonies where the emigrants in question could settle and develop normal commercial life, exploiting the natural resources threent through economic enterprise.

b. Determine approximately the cost as a financial project (funds to be drawn from international donations and payments, when possible, to be made by the emigrants).

c. The project is being nursed by the Holy See and will be administered through Pontifical Missions, which will maintain guardianship over the project, judged to be vast in amplitude.

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7. The alleged scope is to provide an outlet from Europe of excess or destitute population to the relatively undeveloped areas in South America. The actual scope, however, is to provide a cover for occultic and anti-Communist agents who intend to combat the activities of the Communists in South America.

8. TORREZZA is to be accompanied by Baron Robert FAUCON DE TOURENNE, his wife, Jacqueline IMBERT, and two other individuals, NU, but identified as Holy See agents.

9. With reference to DE TOURENNE the following is supplied: Crossed Brenner into Italy in April 1945; arrested by Rossignol Mission, stripped of valuables, cash, etc. then released; now employed with the French Naval Mission in Genoa.

10. DE TOURENNE is sans passport, however, and it is stated by Source that he cannot obtain a French passport because he was a Petain collaborator, having occupied the position of Secretary to the Minister of Refugees and Prisoners(sic). Further, he is quite reluctant to return to France and has declined to approach the French Consulate for a passport.

11. Don TORREZZA is now in hectic pursuit of a means whereby he can obtain a passport for DE TOURENNE, insisting on its legality, of any country whatsoever. It is intended, once aboard ship, however, to furnish him documents attesting to his status as a citizen of the Vatican State and will thereafter travel under Vatican immunity.

12. It has been reliably reported (confirmed by a controlled check) that TORREZZA accosted HILL at the American Consulate, requesting both advice and aid as to the means available through which a passport for DE TOURENNE could be procured. HILL suggested that he consult one of the South American consular representatives.

13. Despite the apparent shady political past of DE TOURENNE, the Holy See is persistent about employing him because of his engineering background and his experience with refugees, displaced persons, etc., under the Petain Government.

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14. Don TORRAZZA has openly admitted that he could obtain an illegal passport or could priorly provide him with Holy See documents, but it is the express order of the Holy See that such steps be avoided in order to preclude any possibility of a public scandal via the leftist elements.

15. Hence, Don TORRAZZA is plagued with the prerequisite that he assure DE TOURENNE's legal exit from Italy, his preference now being a valid passport from one of the South American states.

16. It is further reported that the Holy See is specifically in agreement with the Argentine Government regarding this emigration project as a cover to allow for counter-active operations against both Communist infiltration and operative objectives in South America.

17. Source has been propositioned by LO FARO and TORRAZZA for a mission to Argentina.

18. The Holy See has classified this activity as Top Secret.

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